

been decided that the present practice should remain undisturbed.

SUBJECT No. 184.

Grant of a share of the Sandal tree revenue to the holders of lands on which such trees stand.

Mr. Balavanta Rao, Arsikere Taluk.
Mr. Yagaiyana Subba Rao, Sagar Taluk.
Mr. Linge Gowda of the Mysore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In reply to the representation made last year for allowing, as a sort of encouragement to the occupants of lands for planting and conserving Sandal trees thereon, a share in the revenues derived from such trees, Government were pleased to reply that the idea was not to create any such interest. While it is so, if it be the intention of Government to insist upon the responsibility of the occupants for the preservation of Sandal trees in their holdings, there is no help for the poor raiyats. It is solicited that the question may be duly considered and final orders passed as promised.

Reply of Government.—Vide Subject No. 183.

SUBJECT No. 185.

Khatedars not to be made responsible for the destruction of or injury to the Sandal trees on their holdings.

Mr. Range Gowda, Arsikere Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Khatedars may be relieved of the responsibility of the preservation of Sandal trees growing on their lands. It is not possible for holders of Hulgaval lands to frequently inspect them nor is it proper to expect occupants of lands to account for the injury done to trees by others during their absence. Persons actually injuring the trees may be detected and punished, the value of the trees being also recovered from them.

Reply of Government.—Vide Subject No. 183.

SUBJECT No. 186.

Recovery of the value of damaged Sandal trees.

Mr. Linge Gowda, Patel and Landholder, Mysore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The value of Sandal trees standing in the holdings of raiyats, which are stunted in growth or damaged by insects and worms, is recovered from the holders thereof by the Forest Department through the Revenue Department after getting up a Mahazar to the effect that such trees have been cut down by the holder. Instances of such recovery are many in the Mysore District. It is requested therefore that a detailed list of Sandal trees standing in the holdings of raiyats be ordered to be made out by the Forest Department, the village shanbhog and the patel, and that one copy be retained with the shanbhog and the other with the Forest Department, and the value of such damaged trees be ordered to be recovered from the holder of the land in case he fails to show the cause for such damage.

Reply of Government.—There is a direction already to mention the number of trees in the Pahani. More cannot be done. The Deputy Commissioners will enforce the rule.

SUBJECT No. 187.

Removal of certain trees from the list of reserved trees.

(1) Messrs. Sahukar Nagappa and Manjaiya Uduparu, Nagar Taluk.
(2) Mr. Kigga Chennakesava Rao of Koppa Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(1) In the Malnad, Bogi logs are generally used for house-building purposes by the raiyats. As these are classified under reserved trees, it is a great hardship to them. It is therefore requested that this wood may be allowed to be given according to Raiyats' Privilege Rules.